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WEEK 1 TERM 4
6th October 2015

Last term’s Personal Best Award Winner

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**Awards**

Congratulations to the children who were presented with Student of the Week Ribbons for their effort last term:
Caelan Stevenson (KH), Meg Skinner (KP), Terry Ede (1M), Lilly Gosper (1/2SG), Ebony Weekes (2W), Regan Barlow (3/4DW), Angus Johnston (3/4M), Ashley Plomp (3/4OR), Bailey Bowd (5/6E), Molly Shorter (5/6H), Justis Mallison (Mrs Butler), Kelsey Hubbard (Mrs Norton), Ciera James (Mrs O'Donnell) Mikayla Whiteman (Mrs Dean) and Gracie Turner (Mrs Standen). **Well Done!!**

**MERIT CERTIFICATES** — Achievement During Term 3

**Infants Sports:** Kiarah Petrie (KH)
**Primary Sports:** Jesse Shorter (5/6E)
**Assembly Item:** No Item

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**Canteen News**

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**Canteen Term 4**

Next term the canteen WILL NOT be selling hot food except for Hot Dogs on Wednesdays.

Mrs B Osborne—Canteen Manager

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**Library News**

**Waste to Art**
- Please start collecting bright coloured plastic bags or soft plastic that can be woven. It needs to be a solid colour not patterned. No grey clear bags. We need a large quantity so start collecting now.
- Keep collecting bright coloured bottle tops.
- For the next two weeks could you collect and send any clear plastic bottles eg water bottles, soft drink bottles. All sizes needed. No milk bottles.

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**KINDERTGARTEN / YEAR 1 CHOIR**

Choir practice will be on each Thursday from 12.00 - 12.20. The item “Oh Dear What Can Be The Matter Be” will be performed in Week 8 on Thursday 26th November.

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**SCHOOL DANCE**
The school dance will be held on Thursday night 5th November from 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm at the Parkes Leagues Club. Students are busy practising the dances for this popular event.

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**YEARS 5/6 SYDNEY EXCURSION**

Payments for the Year 5/6 Sydney excursion are to be finalised by this Friday 9th October 2015. There are also two notes that need to be returned by this date - the permission/behaviour agreement note and the medical note.

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**YEAR 3 WELLINGTON CAVES EXCURSION**

Year 3 students will be going on a one day excursion to Wellington Caves this term. A separate information and permission note will be sent home with Year 3 students this week with final details.

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**MAGAZINES WANTED**

3/4OR need any balls of wool/string and old suitable magazines such as Womans’ Day, Womens’ Weekly and Better Homes and Gardens.
TALENT QUEST
We had a very successful Talent Quest this year with 47 students taking part, with 21 of them reaching the final in a total of 9 acts. Our final which was held in the last week of Term 3 was very entertaining with high standards and great variety.

Congratulations to all the students, and special congratulations to our winners:

**1st place**  
Angus, Frankie and Estella Johnston

**1st place Stage 1**  
Giaan Paletua

**Highly Commended**  
Lily Crocker

**Merit**  
Joplyn Johnson

**Merit**  
Ella Ross, Molly Smith, Karlah Stubbs, Ruby Smith, Nell Smith, Shelby Holmes, Amanda Lowe and Georgie Cotter-Cushway

Congratulations to all of the students of Middleton for their excellent audience behaviour as they actively supported their peers.

We would especially like to thank our very knowledgeable judges Mrs Gail Smith, Miss Hannah Harris and Mr James Whelan who are all talented performers in their own rights.

Mrs C Butler, Miss L McAneney, Mrs N Westgarth and Mrs S Harris - Organisers
Term 4 Planner 2015

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**Sport**

**PRIMARY SPORT SWIMMING HELPERS**

A note has been sent home today with all students in Years 3-6 regarding parent helpers for our weekly swimming lessons. Please read through the note, tick any dates that you are available to help with supervision duties and return to Miss Ehsman. The note outlines what is involved in being a helper. You do not have to help every week, even just once would be a great. Thank you, we appreciate your support.

**PRIMARY SPORT**

Primary sport will be class sport this week. The date swimming lessons will begin is yet to be determined.

**PRIMARY SPORT**

Primary sport winners for last term were:

**In the Garden** … This week we will be “Seasol” fertilizing our vegetables, making new vegetable labels and planting seedlings.

**In the Kitchen** … This week we will be making spinach dip.

**WANTED**:

Any volunteers (parents, grandparents, community members etc) who are available between 12.20 and 1.50pm on a Friday to help out with our Year 3 and 4 Garden, Kitchen, Creative Arts or Science groups.

**WANTED**:

Manure

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**TUPPERWARE DISPLAY**

**When**: Thursday, 2.45pm

**Where**: LIBRARY

**Who**: Middleton parents and community members

**Why**: Our Kitchen Garden program is fundraising again! The aim is to get enough sales and a party booking to put together a raffle of Tupperware goodies to sell tickets in leading up to Christmas. It would be greatly appreciated if anyone is interested in having their own party. We need one party booking to maximise our benefits in Tupperware.
Parkes Upmarkets Stall

We will be selling Middleton and Community garden produce this Sunday, 11th October from 9am-1pm at Cooke Park.

Please come along and support our stall or donate any extra home grown vegetables, fruit and seedlings.

*WANTED:* Any home grown citrus oranges, lemons, grapefruit, mandarins etc to donate for us to sell would be greatly appreciated.

*HELPERS WANTED:* Any Year 3-6 students who want to come and help on Sunday for an hour please return the form below to the office by tomorrow (Wednesday). A roster with your time will be sent home on Thursday. Many thanks for helping and supporting our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program.

* I give permission for my son/daughter __________________________ to assist at the Upmarkets on Sunday, 11th October 2015 between 9am and 1pm.
* My child is available between these times _______________________. I understand they will only be needed for one hour and a roster will be sent home Thursday.

Parent Signature: _________________________________
Parent Name: ____________________________________
Parent Contact:  ______________________________

Citrus and vegetable donations for Upmarket Stall

I can donate: __________________________________________
towards the MPS market stall this Sunday, 11th October 2015.

I can (circle one)
Leave the Fruit/Veges on Saturday afternoon outside Stage 2 classrooms
Drop the Fruit/Veges to Cooke Park MPS market stall.